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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket comprising:
 - a top member having opposing ends and a length;
 - a first downward flange having opposing sides with one side connected to one of said opposing ends of said top member;
 - a second downward flange having opposing ends with one of said opposing ends connected to one of said opposing ends of said top member opposite said first downward flange, wherein said length of said top member is equal to the width of a cinderblock having a first sidewall and a second sidewall having exterior surfaces such that when said top member is placed on top of said cinderblock, said first downward flange fits over said exterior surface of said first sidewall and said second downward flange fits over said exterior surface of said second sidewall;
 - a horizontal flange having opposing sides with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing ends of said second downward flange opposite said top member;
 - a vertical flange having opposing sides and a middle with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing sides of said horizontal flange opposite said downward flange; and
 - a fastening hole wherein said middle of said vertical flange defines a hole therein to comprise said fastening hole.
2. (canceled)

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3. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 1, wherein said second downward flange, said horizontal flange, and said vertical flange are adapted to receive at least one 2 by 4.
4. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 1, wherein said mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket is of one-piece construction.
5. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 1, wherein said fastening hole is adapted to receive an object selected from the group consisting of nails and screws.
6. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 2, wherein said top member is about 8 3/4 in. long, about 8 in. wide, and about 3/8 of an inch thick.
7. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 2, wherein said first downward flange is about 4 in. wide, 8 in. long, and about 3/8 of an inch thick.
8. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 2, wherein said second downward flange is about 6 in. wide, about 8 in. long, and about 3/8 of an inch thick.
9. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 3, wherein said horizontal flange is about 1 1/2 inches wide, about 8 in. long, and about 3/8 of an inch thick.
10. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 3, wherein said vertical flange is about 2 in. wide, about 8 in. long, and about 3/8 of an inch thick.
11. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 5, wherein said fastening hole is about 1/8 of an inch in diameter.
12. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 1, wherein said mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket is selected from the group consisting plastic, steel, aluminum, titanium, wood, and carbon fiber composite.
13. (currently amended) A mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket comprising:
a first downward flange having opposing sides;

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a top member having opposing ends and a length with one of said opposing ends connected to one of said opposing sides of said first downward flange;
a second downward flange having opposing sides with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing ends of said top member opposite said first downward flange, wherein said length of said top member is equal to the width of a cinderblock having a first sidewall and a second sidewall having exterior surfaces such that when said top member is placed on top of said cinderblock, said first downward flange fits over said exterior surface of said first sidewall and said second downward flange fits over said exterior surface of said second sidewall;
a horizontal flange having opposing sides with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing sides of said second downward flange opposite said top member;
a vertical flange having a middle and opposing sides with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing sides of said horizontal flange opposite said second downward flange; and
a plurality of fastening holes wherein said middle of said vertical flange defines holes therein to comprise said fastening holes.

14. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 13, wherein said mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket is of one-piece construction.

15. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 13, wherein said second downward flange, said horizontal flange, and said vertical flange are adapted to mount the ends of a pair of adjacent 2 by 4s.

16. (canceled)

17. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 13, wherein said mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket is about 3/8 of an inch thick.

18. (original) The mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket as defined in Claim 13, wherein said mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket is made of polyethylene.

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19. (currently amended) ~~In~~ A mobile home skirt anchor mounting bracket in combination with a cinderblock having a top and first and second opposing sides, the improvement which comprises:

- a top member having opposing ends and a bottom with said bottom frictionally engaged with said top of said cinderblock;
- a first downward flange having opposing sides and a bottom with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing ends of said top member and said bottom frictionally engaged with ~~one of said~~ first opposing sides of said cinderblock;
- a second downward flange having opposing sides and a bottom with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing ends of said top member opposite said first downward flange and said bottom frictionally engaged with said second opposing side of said cinderblock;
- a horizontal flange having opposing sides with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing sides of said second downward flange opposite said top member;
- a vertical flange having opposing sides and a middle with one of said opposing sides connected to one of said opposing sides of said horizontal flange opposite said second downward flange; and
- a plurality of fastening holes wherein said middle of said vertical flange defines holes therein to comprise said fastening holes.

20. (original) The improvement to a cinderblock as defined in Claim 19, wherein said second downward flange, said horizontal flange, and said vertical flange are adapted to mount the ends of a pair of adjacent 2 by 4s.